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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES HENRY & Co., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—WHITE & BAVER, San Francisco.

CHINA.—Sutton, Drown & Co. Agents, 10, South Street, H. FOGG & Co. Agents, 10, Cannon Street, E.C.

Arrivals.

March 13, Japan, Amer steamer, 4530, O. E. Lane, San Francisco via Yokohama, Feb. 4 and March 7, General. P. M. S. S. Co.

March 14, Sophie and Helene, from Whampoa.

Departures.

Mar. 14, United Service, for Singapore and London.

14, Pacific, for Manila.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.—Per steamer Japan, from San Francisco, &c. Rev. J. A. Davis and Mrs. Davis, Rev. D. Rapely, Messrs H. P. Austin and servant, Chas. Storey, F. F. Gibson, P. Bennett, S. W. Davies, Jose Bellano, 130 Chinese in steerage, and also 18 crew of the late steamer Hermann.

Shipping Reports.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer, Japan, left San Francisco, Feb. 4, at Noon, with 158 passengers, 256 packages of Specie value \$18,24.50; 865 tons of Merchandise. Feb. 4th in lat. 29.57, long. 155.30 W. Tam-wha, age 26, a native of Canton, died of disease of the heart, same day his body was embalmed by the Surgeon. Feb. 15, at 3.00 a.m., in lat. 29.57, long. 155.33 W., exchanged papers with the Company's steamer ship China, reports all well on board. Feb. 17, in lat. 29.52, long. 159.00 W. Chuek-tun age 28, a native of Canton, died at 9.30 p.m., and his body was embalmed by the Surgeon. March 4, at 10.35 a.m., exchanged paper with the Company's steamer ship Great Republic, and at 11.45 a.m., made fast to the Company's buoy Yokohama. Experienced strong Westerly winds and boisterous weather nearly all the passage. Discharged 26 passengers, 190 packages of Specie value \$408,047.50, and 469 tons of Merchandise. Received on board 9 passengers, 95 packages of Specie value \$296,000.17, and 9 tons of Merchandise. March 7, at 6 a.m., cast off from the buoy, and proceeded on voyage to Hongkong. March 12, at 10.30 a.m., off Turnabout, passed a three masted screw steamer supposed to be the Formosa bound North. Same day at 3 p.m., saw a large size topsail yard ship, painted lead color, at anchor in Huitan Bay. Experienced heavy weather with much rain the whole passage from Yokohama to this port.

LIST OF CONSIGNEES FOR MERCHANDISE.—Theng-tong, Kwong-sin-cheung; Lee-ping; L. P. Ward; Kwong-sung-yuen & Co.; S. A. Man; J. J. Remondos & Co.; Bing-kei; Sing-lee; W. N. Olmstead; De Silver & Co.; Russell & Co.; Olyphant & Co.; Mr. Degener; Siemens & Co.; Dr. J. S. Burdington; David King; Ed. W. Stevens; A. Heard & Co.; Lefevre & Chas. A. Lovett; Rev. J. A. Davis; White & Co.; Douglas Lapraik & Co.; Chas. Storey; J. S. Schaeffer & Co.; Hong-ye-cheung; R. W. Lowndes; J. S. Hook, Son & Co.; Mow-ye-cheung; Yee-wo-cheung; Orler; A. Bourgeois; A. Heard & Co.; Yat-wo-sing. Consignees for Specie.—1 Russell & Co.; 1 Siemens & Co.; 20 Oriental Banking Corporation; 34 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; 60 Order; Yn-shu & Co.; Yee-ow & Co.; 1 Lee-ping; 1 Wo-hing; Lun-wo-chai; 1 Sin-cheung-chan & Co.; 1 Kwong-yuen-ling; 1 Kwong-chung-ling; 1 Cheong-wo; 2 Wing-cheung-kut; 2 Ling-wan; Wing-wo-cheung & Co.; 1 Cheong-yuen & Co.; 1 Kwong-sin-cheung.

Entertainments.

GARRISON THEATRE (NORTH BARRACKS.) THIS EVENING, March 18th.

By kind permission of Col. Gore, Commandant, and Lieut. Colonel Miles, Commanding 7th Regiment.

The Black Brigade Minstrels will perform on the above dates ASSISTED BY The Band of the 7th Regiment.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9. Chairs may be ordered for 11.

For further particulars, see Small Bills. W. M. ARTHUR, Manager. Hongkong, March 12, 1869. ma16

New Advertisements.

FROM this date Mr. GEORGE E. LANE, will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this port. GEO. F. BOWMAN. Hongkong, March 16, 1869.

New Advertisements.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM SHIP COMPANY. The Steamship "JAPAN," Captain FURMAN, will sail from Hongkong for Yokohama and San Francisco, on the 19th inst., at 3 p.m. precisely.

No Freight received after Noon of the 18th instant.

Passengers are requested to be on board at 2 p.m., day of sailing.

GEO. E. LANE, Agent. Hongkong, March 15, 1869. mar19

P. M. S. S. Co. Steamer "JAPAN," FROM YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

GEO. E. LANE, Agent. Hongkong, March 15, 1869. mar19

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The steamer "OLAN ALPINE," A. HUTCHINSON, Commander, will be despatched for the above ports on Saturday next, the 20th instant, at Noon.

Despatches will close at eleven.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, March 15, 1869. mar20

FOR SOUBABAYA.

The Dutch ship "AGNETTA," Capt. VAN LINDORCK, will be despatched on the 20th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BOSMAN & Co. Hongkong, March 15, 1869. ma20

FOR SALE.

FOUR first class Cargo BOATS, all in good order with Sails and Gear, complete.

Average burthen, 800 piculs each.

Apply to MORGAN LAMBERT & Co. Hongkong, March 12, 1869.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., beg to announce that they have received for "Black Prince," a consignment of The Associated Vineyard Cultivators' Company's No. 1 BRANDY.

Hongkong, March 12, 1869. mar27

GREAT REDUCTION. Closing of Business.

THE Undersigned, who is closing his business in May next, begs most respectfully to offer to the public, his large selection of Photographs, at the following low rates, an opportunity that should not be lost; patrons wishing to have copies from their negatives can have them at greatly reduced rates.

Views in set of 50 each, ... \$20.

Views in set of 25 each, ... \$12.50.

W. P. FLOYD. Hongkong, March 12, 1869. tf

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

WITH a view to the apportionment of the Reserve Third of Profits, Shareholders are requested to furnish the undersigned on or before the 1st April next, with a memorandum of the Premiums contributed by them to the above Company.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Liquidators. Hongkong, March 13, 1869. apr1

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL. THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS. CONTAINS Report on the Committee of the Directors of OVERSEAS GURNEY & Co.

Also, Details of the Telegraph Scheme, to India, by Submarine Cables. Reception of the Burlingame Mission by the French Emperor. Cargoes of 11 Ships for China, &c.

THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS is published in London for the P. & O. Co.'s and French Mails, and contains—Summary of Home, Parliamentary, and Foreign News. Special Correspondents' Letters from Germany, Holland, &c. Leading Articles on the principal interests of China. Digest of Home Opinions on China Subjects. List of Passengers by the current and succeeding Mails. Naval and Military News. Births, Marriages, and Deaths. Commercial, Banking, Share Lists, &c. Market Reports, Shipping News, Freight, &c. from London and the Continent. New York, &c. Statistics of Imports and Exports. Supplement. Statement of each Ship's Cargo for China and Japan, and by the P. and O. Mails.

SUBSCRIPTION—\$12 per Annum. With Export Supplement, \$14.50. Single Copies, 50 cents.

J. B. MORRIS, Agent, Queen's Road. Hongkong, March 12, 1869.

New Advertisements.

"STAG HOTEL." Queen's Road, Hongkong. EDMUND R. HOLMES.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

FROM this date the Management of the Hongkong Hotel is placed in charge of Mr. GEORGE E. POTTS, to whom all communications should be addressed.

Hongkong Hotel, March 8, 1869.

SEALED TENDERS (in Duplicate) marked "Tenders for Bills" will be received at this Office until Noon on FRIDAY, the 19th instant, for Bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or on the Governor General of India in Council, Calcutta, both at 30 days' sight, in exchange for current Dollars of Hongkong at 7.17.

Bills on London will not be drawn for sums under £1,000, and on Calcutta under Rupees 10,000.

The accepted Tenders will be at once notified to the respective parties by letter, requesting them to lodge the amount to the credit of the Commissariat Account at the Oriental Bank Corporation, where a receipt will be given, on production of which at this Office the Bills will be issued.

In order to save time, it is requested that the sets of Bills required may be detailed in the margin of the Tender, and it is particularly requested that the Tenders may be in duplicate.

REDMOND UNTACKE, Dep. Commisr. Gen. Controller's Office, Commissariat, Hongkong, March 11, 1869. mar19

WANTED, by a European, an engagement for two or three years; is well up in Boiler-making, Iron Ship Building, Ships' Smith-work, &c. Can make his own Drawings and Estimates. Three years' character from one of the principal firms in China; will be disengaged in a few weeks.

Address—B. M. "STAG HOTEL," Hongkong, March 6, 1869. apr1

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. GENERAL WEEKLY SALE. LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 16th March, 1869, at Noon, at their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

20 pieces black Alpaca.
20 pieces colored Alpaca.
15 pieces brown Linen and Duck.
150 doz. best linen Collars, London made, assorted sizes from 13½ to 16½ and assorted shapes, as West End, The Dux, Cambridge, The Imperial Dux and All Right.
40 boxes fancy Neckties.
10 boxes fancy Scarfs, assorted, new styles.
10 doz. Lambswool Undershirts.
10 doz. Gent's Merino Undershirts.
10 doz. Gent's white Merino Pants.
20 doz. best English made Silk Umbrellas, assorted colors and sizes, patent Paragon.
15 pieces fancy wool Flannels.
50 doz. Towels and Napkins.
200 doz. fine linen Handkerchiefs.
300 doz. Cotton print Handkerchiefs.
40 pieces China Figures, assorted colors.
200 doz. Men's Socks, bleached and unbleached.
100 doz. Women's Stockings.
50 Hearth-rugs and Door-mats.
10 pieces printed Flannels.
500 glass Candlesticks.
127 double-barrelled Guns.
1000 tins FFF Powder.
150 kgs F Powder.
50 doz. Powder Flasks.
50 Revolvers and Ammunition.
5 cases Leaf Sugar.
25 reams Foolscap Paper.
20 doz. Pocket-books and Letter-cases.
30 doz. 2lbs. Huntley & Palmer's Biscuits.
30 doz. 1lb. Huntley & Palmer's Biscuits.
10 cases 1 Sardines.
5 cases American Tobacco.
80 doz. assorted sizes paint Brushes.
20 cwt. English white Lead.
15 cwt. Hubbuck's white Zinc.
40 drums Hubbuck's boiled Oil.
30 bolts repairing Canvas.
11 barrels Hainburg and American Beef and Pork.
30 cases Swaine and Boords' Old Tom.
20 cases Old Pale Brandy.
40 cases Claret.
30 cases Buss's Ale in qts. and pts.

A quantity of Stores, Provisions and Sundry articles, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

Hongkong, March 13, 1869. mar16

Auctions.

TO ART CONNOISSEURS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Store Premises, on TUESDAY, 23rd inst., at 2.30 p.m.,—

A number of OIL PAINTINGS, WATER COLOURS, &c., in magnificent Gilt Frames. They include, Originals and Copies from the best masters, and will be nearly all sold without reserve.

Among others are—

2 Landscapes, original—REINHARDT.
1 Judith, original—RIEDEL.
1 Country Woman, original—EPP.
1 Madonna, after LASSO FERRATO.
1 The Monk Happy, original—GEISER.
1 Part, Morning and Evening, after PENSUR.
1 "Distinguished Member of the Humane Society"—after LANDSEER.
1 Grotius—copy from VANDYKE.
1 Death of Orpheus—by DE LAITRESSE.
1 The Nativity—copy from REMBRANDT.
Etc., Etc., Etc.

Inspection is invited.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 11, 1868. mar23

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Foochow, known as DEWE & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction, in June next, unless previously disposed of by private contract.

The Property consists of DWELLING HOUSE, containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached; the whole surrounded by a Garden. This House is let on a short Lease at \$150 per month.

OFFICES AND GODOWNS. A House containing 4 Offices and Spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof Godowns, large Treasury, and Comprodror's Rooms below, Servants' Offices &c., attached.

Three large Godowns, A, B, and C, adjoining the above.

This property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Foochow, and is let on a Repairing Lease for 5 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of \$4,500.

For further particulars, apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, February 1, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 19th day of March, at Noon, on the Premises, under the power of sale contained in the deed of Mortgage,—

All that piece or parcel of GROUND, situate on Bonham Strand West, and known as section B of Marine Lot No. 89, together with the two substantially built Chinese HOUSES erected thereon, and numbered respectively 133 and 12. Ground rent, £11.13.0 per annum.

For further particulars, apply to the undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the deed of transfer. All expenses of transfer to be paid by the purchaser. The Property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 11, 1869. mar19

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 19th day of March, at 4 o'clock p.m., on the Premises,—

That spacious and pleasantly situated HOUSE, known as "Harperville," just in rear of the Albany, built on the North Eastern section of Inland Lot No. 648, with Out Offices and a large piece of Ground attached. The total area of the Lot being about 10,000 square feet.

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J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 10, 1869. mar19

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Mar., 1869, at 12 o'clock, Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Commercial Bank Buildings,—

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate at Potokum, and registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29. The Lot contains in the whole ten and a quarter acres.

After which and at the same time and place, will be sold, all those Lots of Land situate at Sowkeewan and registered in the Land Office as Inland Lots. No. 105 con'g in the whole 9000 sq. feet

"106 " " 3000 sq. feet
"107 " " 9000 sq. feet
"108 " " 3000 sq. feet
"118 " " 2500 sq. feet
"137 " " 4000 sq. feet

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the Purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the deeds of transfer. All expenses of transfer to be paid by the Purchaser. Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 12, 1869. mar24

PUBLIC AUCTION.

RAY & Co. have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th March, 1869, at Noon, at Messrs RUSSELL & Co.'s Godowns, Wan-chi,—

Muntz Metal Bars, 1½ and 1¼ in. Copper Tubes, ½, 1 and 1¼ in. Gas Pipes and Fittings (assorted). Steam Guages. Steam Boiler and Winch. 15 tons Scotch Pig Iron. Copper Rivets. Composition Tubes.

1 Buoy.
1 Iron Float.
1 Iron Well.
2 Iron Tanks.
Iron Racks.
1 smelting Furnace and stand for Do.
1 Walking Beam.
2 Shafts.
2 Anchors.
2 Pillow Blocks.
1 Iron Safe.
1 Galley Stove.
Iron Doors.
665 Fire Bricks.
20 doz. Shovels.
2 Platform Scales.
Russia Spun Yarn Packing.
Cotton Packing.
Wood Raps.
224 doz. sheets Emory Cloth.
And sundry articles of Engineers' Fittings.

Hongkong, March 10, 1869. mar17

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman—GEO. F. HEARD, Esq. Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MENKE, Esq. GEORGE J. HILLMAN, Hon. J. R. TAYLOR, Esq. WILLIAM LEMANN, J. P. DUNGANSON, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq. S. D. SASSOOR, Esq.

Managers. Hongkong, VICTOR KRESSER, Esq. Chief Manager. Shanghai, DAVID MACLEAN, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drifts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, January 3, 1869. tf

THE next General MEETING of the

Members of the MORRISON EDUCATION SOCIETY, will be held in the London Mission House, on the 30th March, at 3 p.m.

D. B. MORRIS, Secretary. Hongkong, March 1, 1869. mar30

Shipping.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The British steamer "ARRATOON APCAR" Capt. DE SMIDT, will be despatched for the above ports, on Saturday, the 20th inst., at Noon.

Despatches will close at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, March 15, 1869. mar20

FOR AMOY. The steamer "FUNG SHUEY," will be despatched for the above port on the 16th inst., and call here about the 25th inst., on her way to Manila.

For Freight or Passage, apply to AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Hongkong, March 13, 1869. mar26

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The British steamer "NIGER," of 2,000 Tons carrying capacity. Apply to THE BORNEO COY. LIMITED. Hongkong, March 4, 1869.

FOR SINGAPORE. The British barque "NEPTUNE," Captain P. I. BUESNEL, will be despatched for the above port on the 19th inst.

For Freight, apply to ROBT. S. WALKER & Co. Hongkong, March 13, 1869. mar19

FOR FOOCHOW DIRECT. The British barque "ZIBA," will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to DOUGLAS LADRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 10, 1869.

FOR MANILA. The Spanish brig "RODRIGO," PEREIRO, Master, will have quick dispatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to WAHER & Co. Hongkong, March 9, 1869. mar16

FOR YOKOHAMA. The North-German ship "DER WEST," Captain PUST, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to BOURJAU, HUBENER & Co. Hongkong, March 8, 1869. tf

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American ship "WINDWARD," Capt. BARRETT, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 2, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American ship "HELVETIA," Capt. BAILEY, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1869. tf

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American ship "NATIONAL EAGLE," Captain NICKERSON, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1869. apr0

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Amr. Ship "SHIRLEY," Captain FERGUSON, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 20, 1869. tf

Notices to Consignees.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Hoegly," 31st October, 1868.
1 case Arms.
Ex "Cambridge," 2d February, 1869.
GFC 16985 1 case Chemicals.
Ex "Donnai," 13th March, 1869.
OFF 436 1 case Stationery.
P & S 674/85 12 cases Colours.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, March 13, 1869.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Company's Steamship "Donnai," are requested to send in their Bills of Lading, for countersignature, and to take delivery of their Goods before the 11th instant, or they will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, March 8, 1869.

BARQUE "RENEFACTO," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

SMITH, ARCHER & Co. Hongkong, March 1, 1869.

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not laid down in the chart off the island of Moko Hino, on Saturday evening last. Unfortunately the accident resulted in the loss of one of the seamen. We make the following extract from the log:—"At 4 p.m. on Saturday the island of Moko Hino bore east by north, distant about 5 miles, and the Little Barrier about 20 miles. At 4.15 p.m., with the wind at S.W., the vessel landed on an invisible rock (not in the charts), and bumped heavily for fifteen minutes. The boat was immediately got towed to save life, but on being launched she was filled with water. Two seamen ran into the

boat to bail the water out, when the painter carried away, and the boat turned over, throwing the two men into the water. The bullocky boat was promptly lowered to save the men. Samuel Catre was picked up, but William Forth, a foreigner, could not swim, and sunk before the boat reached him. By this time the vessel had swung round and slid off into deep water. Every effort was made to save the man Forth, and lines were thrown to him; but he appeared quite helpless in the water, and sunk without making an effort. Fortunately, the vessel

TORRES STRAIT.—The position of the reef in which the *Henry Miller* struck, as reported.

AN American editor says that there is a fellow in Vermont who has a bugle, the notes of which are so sweet that when he plays, the whole neighbourhood catches them up to use instead of sugar.

SMITH, who beat J. Stuart Mill for Parliament, is a news agent, and scatters daily 10,000 Timeses.

AN INHUMAN ACT.—Pull down the

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THE TEA TRADE AT CANTON

Representations having been made with reference to the difficulties experienced in obtaining the fulfilment of contracts, the

which the evil complained of might be
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course, such as Tonnage having been engaged, advices having gone forward to others unnecessary to mention. Moreover as the rejection of a chop was little likely to cause loss or damage to the Teamstering to market fluctuations, no unwillingness was felt on his part to such a result, in fact, it was an encouragement to fractional practices. The undersigned was therefore of opinion that compelling the f

quantity, were necessary measures, if it was to be conducted on anything like a sound basis; he therefore directed his attention to devising a mode of arbitration proceeding by means of which the expense and delay of a Chinese court of law might be avoided. It is not worth while to do the particulars of the proposition he made, as, after long negotiations, it was rejected by the Tea guild, who met it by a counter proposition that if Tea when delivered was not equal to muster, it should be rejected. Seeing that no amicable arrangement could be arrived at, the undersigned, in conjunction with the Consul for the United States, requested the Chinese authorities to order

The Viceroy received a communication on the 26th August last from the British Consul, Mr Robertson, to the effect that there has been addressed by the British merchants at Canton with reference to the great loss and detriment to their trade caused by the inferior qualities of the Teas supplied by the Teamen, notwithstanding their contracts to deliver Teas according to muster. The practice appears to be that the Teas

brokers take round samples of Teas, the merchants after inspecting and tasting their qualities and arranging for the to be paid for the chop, with the weight, piens and the time of delivery, engage by vessels proceeding to England and when the Teas agreed for arrival at Canton, they are found on inspection to be not only far inferior in quality to the sample supplied, but largely mixed with what are called 'lie-teas,' or leaves of plants

The Magistrates being in receipt of the above instructions, have to issue a notification in pursuance of their tenor; and do therefore accordingly proclaim for the instruction of all members of the Tea Trade; that it is an obvious duty to man honestly and good faith the guiding principle.

no vessel permitted. They should, moreover, bear in mind that the bulk of the export has been confined of late years to the ports of Fukien, whilst the local trade in Canton teas itself has at the same time languished in an unusual degree. If fraudulent practices in the way of false marking

be further persisted in, not only will the trader be guilty of such acts be liable to prosecution and thus incur the danger of arrest and imprisonment, but he will also be liable to actions for compensation, but the trader will himself will continue to fall off daily, and the possibility of gain to the trader will be still more remote. It is not difficult to perceive on which side the real interest lies, the dealer actually lies. After the issuance of this Notification, if the traders returned to the law to amend their ways, and still continue indulging in fraudulent practices, on coming to the plain being lodged by foreign merchants, they shall not only be required to make

compensation, but shall further be visited with severe punishment, under the statute for assimilating the offence of obtaining money under false pretences with the crime of robbery. Be ye careful, therefore, not to disobey, and thus to involve yourself in trouble. Let all tremblingly obey. special Proclamation.

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